

Henry Thomas and Elizabeth Evans Davis

1850-1950 Lehi Centennial Biography

Henry Thomas Davis was born February 12, 1854 in South Wales. He came to Lehi with his widowed mother in 1872 at the age of 18. Part of the time he made his home with Mr. and Mrs. Thomas B. Jones. He helped build the railroad in American Fork Canyon and also engages in the sheep business.

After he had been here about five years, he sent to Wales for Elizabeth Evans. They were married July 5, 1877. She also was born in South Wales, October 22, 1859.

They bought a farm in the Lehi North Branch, now the Third Ward. In 1891, he began working for the Utah Southern Railroad now the Union Pacific, as a mechanic. He worked at the Lehi Junction taking care of the engine that took the passenger train west to the metal mines, until about 1908 when he retired.

They had twelve children, five boys and seven girls. At the time of this writing eight are still living. Mr. Davis died February 24, 1916. Mrs. Davis died June 5, 1954.

Jane Thomas Davis, mother of Henry Thomas Davis, was born in South Wales in 1805. She had eight children, one girl and seven boys. She was a midwife and helped with the sick after she came to Lehi until her health failed. She died in Lehi in October 1882.